

**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA
ATLANTA DIVISION**

IN RE:)	
)	CASE NO. 16-53376-wlh
SED INTERNATIONAL HOLDINGS,)	
INC.,)	CHAPTER 7
)	
Debtor.)	INVOLUNTARY PROCEEDING
_____)	

ANSWER TO INVOLUNTARY PETITION

COMES NOW SED International Holdings, Inc. ("SED"), and files its Answer to the Involuntary Petition [Doc. No. 1, 12] (the "Involuntary Petition"), respectfully showing the Court as follows:

Answering the numbered allegations of the Involuntary Petition, the Alleged Debtor responds as follows:

1. Denied.
2. Admitted.
3. Admitted.

RELIEF REQUESTED

Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 303(i), SED requests the Court to award SED its costs, attorneys' fees, actual damages, and punitive damages, if appropriate, for the Petitioning Creditors filing this Involuntary Petition. *See General Trading Corp. v. Yale Materials Handling Corp.*, 119 F.3d 1485, 1501 (11th Cir. 1997) (bad faith has been found to exist "when a creditor's actions amount to an improper use of the Bankruptcy Code as a substitute for customary collection procedures.")

WHEREFORE, the Alleged Debtor prays that the Involuntary Petition be dismissed.

Respectfully submitted this 6th day of May 2016.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I this day electronically filed the foregoing ANSWER TO INVOLUNTARY PETITION with the Clerk of Court using the CM/ECF system which will provide automatic notification of such filing to the following counsel of record:

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